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For: APPARATUS AND PROCESS FOR PRODUCING TUBES  
OR RODS

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XXXX 8 sheet of drawings;

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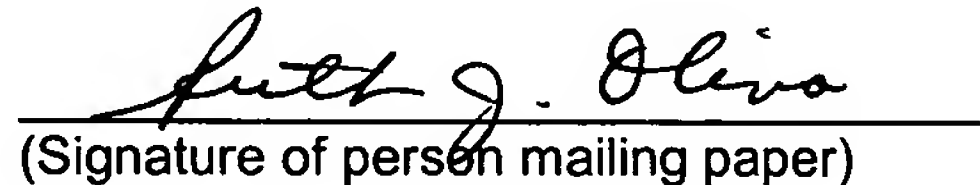


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